the actual, open and undisturbed possession of said land claiming title thereto and improving the same; and

WHEREAS, it also appears that the said George W. Perkins on or about the 12th day of November, 1854, entered into contract with D. W. Baker as school fund commissioner of Wayne county, Iowa, for the purchase of said land, same being school lands; and

WHEREAS, it also appears that the said George W. Perkins paid eleven and 51/100 dollars (\$11.51) and gave his promissory note for forty-three and 55/100 dollars (\$43.55), and

Whereas, it appears that no certificate of purchase or patent for said land has ever been issued to the said George W. Perkins or to any other person; therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

[Section 1.] **Patent.** That the governor and the secretary of state of the state of Iowa are hereby authorized and directed to issue to the said John A. Ruttur a patent for the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section eighteen (18), township sixty-seven (67), north, of range twenty-one (21) west of the fifth (5th) P. M. of Iowa.

Approved March 13th A. D. 1913.

CHAPTER 361.

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN TERRITORY BELONGING TO IOWA SOLDIERS' ORPHANS' HOME.

H. F. 375.

AN ACT to authorize the sale and conveyance of that part of the west half (w. ½) of the southwest quarter (s.w.¼) of section numbered nineteen (19) in township numbered seventy-eight (78) north of range numbered four (4) east of the fifty principal meridian bounded by lines described as follows: Commencing at a point in the east boundary line of said west half (w.½) of the southwest quarter (s.w.¼) twenty-three 12/100 (23.12) chains north of the southeast corner of said west half (w.½) of the southwest quarter (s. w. ½), thence running west five (5) chains, thence north nine (9) chains, thence east five (5) chains to said east boundary line, thence south along said boundary line to the place of beginning, subject to recorded highway reservations.

WHEREAS the state of Iowa now owns and holds the tract of land hereinafter described for the use and benefit of the Iowa soldiers' orphans' home and

WHEREAS said tract is located at a considerable distance from all other land of the state and is inconveniently located and can be used by the state only for farming and gardening and is too valuable to be held by the state for that purpose, therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Conveyance authorized. That on the recommendation in writing of the board of control of state institutions, the governor of Iowa is hereby authorized to sell and convey to the highest and best bidder said tract of land containing about four and one-half acres and described as follows:

That part of the west half (w.½) of the southwest quarter (s.w.¼) of section numbered nineteen (19) in township numbered seventy-eight (78) north

of range numbered four (4) east of the fifth principal meridian bounded by lines described as follows: Commencing at a point in the east boundary line of said west half $(w\frac{1}{2})$ of the southwest quarter $(s.w.\frac{1}{4})$ twenty-three 12/100 (23.12) chains north of the southeast corner of said west half $(w.\frac{1}{2})$ of the southwest quarter $(s.w.\frac{1}{4})$, thence running west five (5) chains, thence north nine (9) chains, thence east five (5) chains to said east boundary line, thence south along said boundary line to the place of beginning, subject to recorded highway reservations.

Said tract shall not be sold for a sum less than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars per acre. In case of the sale of said tract of land the governor shall issue a patent therefor to the purchaser, attested by the secretary of state and the proceeds of the sale shall be paid into the state treasury and placed to the credit of the home. Said fund shall be used in the purchase of land or the erection of permanent buildings for the home as said board of control may elect, and be drawn from the state treasury in the manner provided for drawing other funds of the home.

SEC. 2. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader and the Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 3 A. D. 1913.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader April 8, 1913, and in the Des Moines Capital April 7, 1913.

W. S. ALLEN, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 362.

ISSUANCE OF QUIT CLAIM DEED TO JOHN VESELY.

H. F. 525.

AN ACT to authorize and direct the board of supervisors of Johnson county, Iowa, to issue a quit claim deed to John Vesely, conveying certain real estate located in Johnson county, Iowa, more particularly described as lot six (6), block nine (9), of county seat of Johnson county, Iowa.

Whereas, lot six (6), block nine (9) of the county seat of Johnson county, Iowa, was, on the 14th day of January, 1846, granted or conveyed by the United States to the commissioners of Johnson county, Iowa, for county seat purposes; and

WHEREAS, the said Johnson county, Iowa, subsequently thereto sold the above described premises to one I. B. Hollingsworth who paid full considera-

tion therefor; and

Whereas, no deed of conveyance appears of record conveying said premises from said commissioners of Johnson county, Iowa, or from the said Johnson county, Iowa, to said I. B. Hollingsworth or his grantees; and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen whether said county or its board of super-

visors have authority to issue such deed of conveyance; and

WHEREAS, said John Vesely is the owner of said premises by virtue of sheriff's deed dated March 21st. 1878, to one Benjamin Owen and intermediate conveyances between said deed and a deed from Frank Dunkel and wife to said John Vesely, dated March 18th, 1911; and